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File: USPT

Apr 24, 1990

US-PAT-NO: <u>4918778</u>

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 4918778 A

TITLE: Endless rotary band cleaning device, particularly for cleaning a conveyor

belt or supporting surfaces of objects

DATE-ISSUED: April 24, 1990

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME

CITY

STATE ZIP CODE

COUNTRY

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Dandeville; Denis

Mantes la Ville

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US-CL-CURRENT: <u>15/97.1</u>; <u>15/102</u>, <u>15/3.1</u>, <u>15/3.21</u>, <u>15/36</u>, <u>198/494</u>

ABSTRACT:

The invention provides an endless rotary band cleaning device comprising an endless cleaning band mounted on three rollers disposed parallel to each other, namely: a drive roller, a guide roller and a secondary roller disposed in the space between the other two rollers. These rollers are arranged so that the lower part of the band follows a sinuous path comprising an upgoing path in which the band is washed and a downgoing path after which the band is impregnated with cleaning liquid. The upper part of the band situated between the drive roller and the guide roller serves as cleaning area.

14 Claims, 2 Drawing figures Exemplary Claim Number: 1 Number of Drawing Sheets: 1

☐ 12. Document ID: US 4226325 A

L2: Entry 12 of 13

File: USPT

Oct 7, 1980

US-PAT-NO: 4226325

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 4226325 A

TITLE: Conveyor lubricating and washing apparatus

DATE-ISSUED: October 7, 1980

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME CITY STATE ZIP CODE COUNTRY

Vandas; Edward B. St. Louis MO

US-CL-CURRENT: <u>198/493</u>; <u>118/70</u>, <u>134/58R</u>, <u>134/95.3</u>, <u>134/99.2</u>

ABSTRACT:

Apparatus for continuously lubricating a <u>conveyor belt</u> with a mixture of water and soap or detergent during normal operation and for washing the <u>conveyor belt</u> during a preselected time interval after normal operation has ceased. Solenoid valves are interposed in water lines to a lubricating nozzle and wash nozzles to control the flow of water to the nozzles, and pumps are provided to inject soap or detergent into each of the water lines. During normal conveyor operation, electrical power is supplied only to the lubricating line solenoid valve and the lubricating line pump to produce a lubricating spray of water and soap or detergent from the lubricating nozzle which is directed onto the <u>belt</u>. When the master on-off switch is switched to the "off" position, a wash timer is actuated for a predetermined interval of time and cooperates with a relay to also enable the wash line solenoid valve and the wash line pump to deliver water and soap or detergent to the wash nozzle for cleansing the <u>conveyor belt</u>.

8 Claims, 3 Drawing figures Exemplary Claim Number: 1 Number of Drawing Sheets: 2

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☐ 13. Document ID: US 3998321 A

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US-PAT-NO: 3998321

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 3998321 A

TITLE: Conveyor wash device

DATE-ISSUED: December 21, 1976

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME CITY STATE ZIP CODE COUNTRY

Schultz; Edward D. Brandon FL 33511

US-CL-CURRENT: <u>198/495</u>; <u>134/104.3</u>

ABSTRACT:

A conveyor wash device for use with a conveyor transport system including a conveyor means for transporting particulate material to recover excess particulate

material adhering to the return side of the conveyor means. The conveyor wash device comprises a fluid wash basin configured to retain fluid therein to remove the particulate material from the conveyor means, a plurality of conveyor wash rollers disposed to route the return side of the conveyor means through the fluid wash basin and a particulate recovery means configured to transport particulate material from the fluid wash basin to the feed side of the conveyor transport system.

16 Claims, 4 Drawing figures Exemplary Claim Number: 1 Number of Drawing Sheets: 2

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File: USPT

Jul 9, 1991

US-PAT-NO: 5030293

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5030293 A

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TITLE: Method and apparatus for circuit board cleaning

DATE-ISSUED: July 9, 1991

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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CITY

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COUNTRY

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US-CL-CURRENT: <u>134/32</u>; <u>134/33</u>, <u>134/34</u>

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☐ 2. Document ID: US 4585510 A

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File: USPT

Apr 29, 1986

US-PAT-NO: 4585510

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 4585510 A

TITLE: Fusing machine

DATE-ISSUED: April 29, 1986

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME

CITY

STATE ZIP CODE

COUNTRY

Hadjiskakis; Constantin

Nutley

Fairfield

NJ NJ

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US-CL-CURRENT: <u>156/555</u>; <u>38/10</u>, <u>38/8</u>

ABSTRACT:

Monoco; Mario

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An improved fusing machine is disclosed. Improved conveyor apparatus, conveyor belt guide apparatus, conveyor belt cleaning apparatus and oven apparatus are additionally disclosed, one or more of which can be utilized in a fusing machine. The preferred fusing machine is a return-to-operator machine in which feed and discharge conveyors for the oven are superposed, at least the upper conveyor preferably being transparent. The disclosed conveyor apparatus includes direction reversing apparatus, apparatus for adjusting the length of a conveyor and conveyor apparatus in which articles are resiliently engaged between and transported by opposed conveyor belt surfaces. A disclosed oven apparatus comprises resilient heating apparatus.

70 Claims, 30 Drawing figures Exemplary Claim Number: 1 Number of Drawing Sheets: 12

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File: USPT

Feb 19, 1985

US-PAT-NO: 4499992

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 4499992 A

TITLE: Self-cleaning support roller for an endless conveyor belt

DATE-ISSUED: February 19, 1985

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME CITY STATE ZIP CODE COUNTRY Paulson; Bernard S. Clear Lake WI Paulson; Bruce H. Clayton WT Clark; Brian K. Clear Lake WI Briesemeister; Richard A. Clear Lake WI

US-CL-CURRENT: 198/498; 198/840

### ABSTRACT:

A self-cleaning support for a conveyor belt having a shaft with first and second ends and a longitudinal center capable of being adapted to rotate at each of the ends. The shaft is provided with a first flighting to convey material from a first point proximate the longitudinal center toward the first end and a second flight to convey material from a second point proximate the longitudinal center towards the second end, with the first and second points being spaced apart. Two annular members are mounted at the first and second points respectively both encircling the shaft and defining axial openings permitting material to pass through to their respective flights. These annular members may provide a quide for the underside of the belt by being spaced apart to receive the width of a belt guide.

12 Claims, 3 Drawing figures Exemplary Claim Number: 11 Number of Drawing Sheets: 1

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☐ 4. Document ID: US 4008508 A

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File: USPT

Feb 22, 1977

US-PAT-NO: 4008508

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 4008508 A

TITLE: Method and apparatus for processing shrimp and the like

DATE-ISSUED: February 22, 1977

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME CITY STATE ZIP CODE COUNTRY

LaPine; Robert L. Wells MΤ Crepeau; Melvin J. St. Petersburg FL

US-CL-CURRENT: 452/3; 452/173

#### ABSTRACT:

De-headed and unshelled shrimp are automatically processed by apparatus including a feed station, an uncurling station, a cutting station, a flattening or spreader station, a cleaning station and a pair of endless conveyor belts which are supported on guides to form a generally V-shaped trough for receiving the shrimp and continuously moving it from the feed station and through the other stations. The uncurling station includes a plurality of leaf members which resiliently engage the underside of the shrimp as it passes thereunder and cause it to be uncurled to a substantially horizontally extended position prior to entering the cutting station. At the cutting station a rotating cutter blade cuts through the belly of the shrimp to the point at which the alimentary canal is located. The spreader station includes a stationary spreading element having a progressively broadening V-shaped cross section and adapted for spreading portions of the shrimp on the opposite sides of the cut to thereby cause the shrimp to assume a substantially flattened or butterfly position. The flattened shrimp is then moved through a first stage spray assembly where a flow of pressurized cleaning fluid is directed onto the exposed surface of the shrimp to purge or flush away loose debris. Following this initial cleaning, the central, exposed portion of the flattened shrimp is contacted by the outer peripheral surface of the rotating cleaning wheel having a plurality of circumferentially spaced cavities. Finally, the shrimp is moved beneath a second stage spray assembly for final purging or flushing with a pressurized cleaning fluid.

46 Claims, 15 Drawing figures Exemplary Claim Number: 1 Number of Drawing Sheets: 4

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File: USPT

Jun 10, 2003

US-PAT-NO: 6575291

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6575291 B2

TITLE: Apparatus and method for the controlled lubrication and cleaning of

conveyors

DATE-ISSUED: June 10, 2003

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

COUNTRY

Bennett; Scott P.

Stillwater

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Zell; James M.

Northfield

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US-CL-CURRENT: 198/495; 198/500

### ABSTRACT:

A method for automatically cleaning and lubricating conveyor belt systems is disclosed. A microprocessor controlled control unit senses the movement of the conveyor belt and the presence of items, for example bottles, on the conveyor. The control unit initiates the application of lubricant, detergent and rinse water onto the conveyor according to the speed of the conveyor, the presence of items and the time passed since the previous application. If the conveyor is stationary, that is, is not in motion, no lubricant or cleaning solution is applied. If the conveyor is moving but no items are on the belt, a reduced amount of lubricant is dispensed onto the conveyor system. The conveyor cleaning and lubricating process may be carried out during normal production operations.

19 Claims, 3 Drawing figures Exemplary Claim Number: 13 Number of Drawing Sheets: 3

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Nov 12, 2002

US-PAT-NO: 6478141

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DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6478141 B2

TITLE: Automated conveyor cleaning system

DATE-ISSUED: November 12, 2002

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME CITY STATE ZIP CODE COUNTRY

Virippil; Manoj Sioux City IA
Benson; Shaughn M. Pierson IA
Hubbert; Andrew R. Denver CO
Blei; Keith A. Oakland CA

US-CL-CURRENT: 198/495; 198/842, 198/866

### ABSTRACT:

An automated cleaning system for an endless <u>belt</u> conveyor. The cleaning system having a central control which controls pump supplying hot water, soap and a sanitizer to a plurality of controllable spray valves for plural spray bars.

14 Claims, 11 Drawing figures Exemplary Claim Number: 1 Number of Drawing Sheets: 8

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1.3. Document ID: US 6360874 B1

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6360874 B1

TITLE: Automated conveyor cleaning system

DATE-ISSUED: March 26, 2002

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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US-PAT-NO: 6360874

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Benson; Shaughn M. Pierson IA
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Blei; Keith A. Oakland CA

US-CL-CURRENT: <u>198/495</u>; <u>198/842</u>, <u>198/866</u>

### ABSTRACT:

An automated cleaning system for an endless <u>belt</u> conveyor. The cleaning system having a central control which controls pumps supplying hot water, soap and a

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sanitizer to a plurality of controllable spray valves for plural spray bars.

16 Claims, 11 Drawing figures Exemplary Claim Number: 1 Number of Drawing Sheets: 8

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Mar 19, 2002

US-PAT-NO: 6357576

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6357576 B1

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TITLE: Chip conveyors and apparatus for separating and collecting chips

DATE-ISSUED: March 19, 2002

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME CITY STATE ZIP CODE COUNTRY

Enomoto; Yukio Gifu JP

US-CL-CURRENT: <u>198/495</u>; <u>210/523</u>, <u>210/531</u>, <u>409/137</u>, <u>82/52</u>, <u>82/901</u>

### ABSTRACT:

A chip conveyor includes an endless carrier that circulates in a predetermined direction such that chips discharged by machine tools are collected at a collecting position, are carried to a discharging position, which is spaced from the collecting position by a predetermined distance, and are discharged at the discharging position. The carrier follows an upper path from the collecting position to the discharging position and returns through a lower path from the discharging position to the collecting position. A reservoir tank is provided to correspond to the lower path of the carrier. The carrier passes through the reservoir tank, and chips attached to the carrier are separated from the carrier in a liquid in the reservoir tank.

12 Claims, 10 Drawing figures Exemplary Claim Number: 1 Number of Drawing Sheets: 6

Full Title Citation Front Review Classification Date Reference Sequences Attachments Claims KMC Draw, De

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Oct 16, 2001

US-PAT-NO: 6302263

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6302263 B1

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TITLE: Apparatus and method for the controlled lubrication and cleaning of conveyors

DATE-ISSUED: October 16, 2001

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

COUNTRY

Bennett; Scott P.

Stillwater

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Zell; James M.

Northfield

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US-CL-CURRENT: <u>198/495</u>; <u>198/500</u>

### ABSTRACT:

A method for automatically cleaning and lubricating <u>conveyor belt</u> systems is disclosed. A microprocessor controlled control unit senses the movement of the <u>conveyor belt</u> and the presence of items, for example bottles, on the conveyor. The control unit initiates the application of lubricant, detergent and rinse water onto the conveyor according to the speed of the conveyor, the presence of items and the time passed since the previous application. If the conveyor is stationary, that is, is not in motion, no lubricant or cleaning solution is applied. If the conveyor is moving but no items are on the <u>belt</u>, a reduced amount of lubricant is dispensed onto the conveyor system. The conveyor cleaning and lubricating process may be carried out during normal production operations.

9 Claims, 3 Drawing figures Exemplary Claim Number: 1 Number of Drawing Sheets: 3

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Mar 6, 2001

US-PAT-NO: 6196374

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6196374 B1

TITLE: Cleaning device for a curved conveyor belt

DATE-ISSUED: March 6, 2001

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME CITY STATE ZIP CODE COUNTRY

Kilgert; Franz Bayreuth DE
Fichtel; Jurgen Eckersdorf DE
Widmer; Hans Mollis CH

US-CL-CURRENT: <u>198/495</u>; <u>198/494</u>, <u>198/831</u>

ABSTRACT:

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A cleaning apparatus (1), to clean a <u>conveyor belt</u> (3) curving in its main plane, comprises a cleaning drum (9) of which the diameter at its end (9i) adjacent to the <u>belt's</u> inner edge (3i) is smaller than its diameter at its end (9a) adjacent to the outer edge (3a).

9 Claims, 2 Drawing figures Exemplary Claim Number: 1 Number of Drawing Sheets: 2

Full Title Citation Front Review Classification Date Reference Sequences Attachments Claims KMC Draw De

☐ 7. Document ID: US 6050391 A

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File: USPT

Apr 18, 2000

US-PAT-NO: 6050391

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6050391 A

TITLE: Self-cleaning conveyor system and method for handling produce

DATE-ISSUED: April 18, 2000

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

COUNTRY

Terry; Mark

Fresno

CA

US-CL-CURRENT: 198/495; 62/303, 62/380

### ABSTRACT:

A conveyor system and method includes spraying equipment for sanitizing upper side and underside surfaces of a conveyor belt for handling produce. Water and chemical composition sprayed on the belt at prescribed pressures, and the temperature control of all applicable components significantly reduce microbe and contaminant concentrations on surfaces that contact the produce for the shelf life of produce that contacted sanitized surfaces of the conveyor system.

2 Claims, 1 Drawing figures Exemplary Claim Number: 1 Number of Drawing Sheets: 1

Full Title Citation Front Review Classification Date Reference Sequences Attachments Claims KMC Draw De

□ 8. Document ID: US 5649616 A

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File: USPT

Jul 22, 1997

US-PAT-NO: 5649616

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5649616 A

TITLE: Conveyor chain cleaning apparatus

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DATE-ISSUED: July 22, 1997

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME CITY STATE ZIP CODE COUNTRY

Stecklow; Richard L. New Brunswick NJ 08901

US-CL-CURRENT: <u>198/496</u>; <u>198/495</u>

#### ABSTRACT:

A plastic conveyor chain cleaning apparatus in which the conveying chain is subjected to a series of cleaning procedures including high pressure solvent spray nozzles, sets of cleaning brushes to subject all surfaces of the conveyor chain to scrubbing action, additional high pressure solvent spray nozzles, a solvent bath and air nozzles for drying the chain. The cleaning brushes include a roller arrangement requiring the conveyor chain to move in a serpentine path to subject surfaces of the conveyor chain to more effective cleaning by cleaning brushes engaged with the conveying surface of the chain while in concave and convex conditions. The apparatus also utilizes additional sets of driven brushes to provide a scrubbing action on all surfaces of the chain and utilizes high pressure solvent spray to blast the surfaces of the chain to remove film and sediment. The brushes are operated by a single motor and are kept clean during use by the solvent. The air nozzles provide a drying action to minimize the amount of solvent left on the chain during the cleaning operation.

18 Claims, 5 Drawing figures Exemplary Claim Number: 3 Number of Drawing Sheets: 4

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DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5598915 A

TITLE: Belt washer

DATE-ISSUED: February 4, 1997

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME CITY STATE ZIP CODE COUNTRY

Malmberg; Jonny Redmond WA
Hocker; Jon A. Kirkland WA
Strong; John R. Kirkland WA
Hogan; Donald L. Bellevue WA

US-CL-CURRENT: 198/495

ABSTRACT:

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A <u>conveyor belt</u> washer having a plurality of nozzles (12) for ejecting water jets towards an upper side of a foraminous <u>conveyor belt</u> (5). A tank (2) is positioned under the foraminous <u>conveyor belt</u> for receiving water ejected from the nozzles, the tank having a foraminous top side (17) for separating particles accompanying the water, an outlet opening (16) in a lower part (9) thereof and a ventilating opening in an upper part (8) thereof. The <u>conveyor belt</u> washer further having a pump (24) with an inlet and an outlet (29), and pipings (27, 28) connecting the outlet opening of the tank to the inlet of the pump, and the outlet of the pump to the plurality of nozzles, such that the water is recirculated and air entrained by the water through the foraminous top side of the tank escapes through the ventilating opening thereof.

14 Claims, 4 Drawing figures Exemplary Claim Number: 1 Number of Drawing Sheets: 3

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☐ 10. Document ID: US 5368650 A

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File: USPT

Nov 29, 1994

US-PAT-NO: 5368650

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5368650 A

TITLE: Method and apparatus for washing conveyer belt in heat treatment apparatus

DATE-ISSUED: November 29, 1994

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME CITY STATE ZIP CODE COUNTRY
Tanaka; Masaaki Sano JP

Sugimoto; Tomio Sano JP

US-CL-CURRENT: <u>134/15</u>; <u>134/104.1</u>, <u>134/122R</u>, <u>198/495</u>, <u>99/357</u>

### ABSTRACT:

A method for washing a conveyer <u>belt</u> in a heat treatment apparatus permits washing of the conveyer <u>belt</u> without causing splashing of a washing fluid so as not to cause danger in operation and contaminate the surroundings and can cause deformation of the conveyer <u>belt</u> upon washing so as to vary the surface configuration and positional relationship of the components for making washing effective. The method comprises the steps of defining a washing fluid bath containing a washing fluid, and placing the washing fluid bath in a portion of a traveling path of the conveyer <u>belt</u>, within which at least one of configuration and positional relationship of components of the conveyer <u>belt</u> varies, for dipping the conveyer <u>belt</u> at the portion within the washing fluid bath. Apparatus for carrying out the method includes a washing bath which can be shifted between a first position away from a vertically deflected portion of the <u>conveyor belt</u> and a second position dipping the vertically deflected portion of the <u>conveyor belt</u> in the washing bath. The washing bath is shifted between the first and second positions by a pivotal lever.

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